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SUBJECT: BILATERAL ENVIRONMENTAL DISCUSSIONS WITH MEXICO

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1. EMBOFF MET OCTOBER 31 WITH FONSECRETARIAT DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARIES AND WATERS, LUIS CABRERA TO DISCUSS PROPOSED CONFERENCE, LEAVING WITH HIM AN AIDE MEMOIRE BASED ON REFTEL.

2. AFTER NOTING THAT IDEA FOR CONFERENCE ORIGINALLY DEVELOPED DIRECTLY BETWEEN EPA AND SMA AT EL PASO. (AND MAKING CLEAR HIS BELIEF THAT FONSECRETARIAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONSULTED BEFORE DECISION TAKEN), CABRERA ASKED IF FURTHER PREPARATIONS WOULD BE DISCUSSED EXCLUSIVELY WITH FONSECRETARIAT. EMBOFF ASSURED HIM THIS IS OUR INTENTION. CABRERA REITERATED THAT FONSECRETARIAT INTERPOSES NO OBJECTION TO IDEA OF INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, BUT HE REQUESTED SPECIFIC ASSURANCE THAT CONFERENCE WOULD RESULT IN NO COMMITMENTS TO ACTION ON PART OF EITHER GOVERNMENT. EMBOFF TOLD HIM THIS WAS OUR IMPRESSION, BUT THAT EMBASSY WOULD VERIFY THIS FACT WITH WASHINGTON. PLEASE ADVISE.

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3. EMBASSY PERCEIVES NUANCE BETWEEN AGENCY-TO-AGENCY

"INFORMAL ARRANGEMENTS", WHICH USG FAVORS (STATE 195047) AND AGENCY-TO-AGENCY "AGREEMENT", WHICH WE DO NOT SEEK (REFTEL). AT SAME TIME, THIS DIFFERENCE MIGHT ESCAPE SOME MEXICAN PARTICIPANTS, ESPECIALLY IF WE DO NOT PROVIDE KIND OF STATEMENT CABRERA REQUESTED (DESCRIBED IN PRVIOUS PARAGRAPH).

4. FINALLY, EMBASSY SUPPOSES THAT POSSIBLE REPRESENTATION BY COAST GUARD ON US DELEGATION WOULD BE RELATED TO QUESTION OF CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES. IF THIS IS SO, EMBASSY SUGGESTS RECONSIDERATION, SINCE FONSECRETARIAT HAS TAKEN POSITION THAT THIS TOPIC SHOULD REMAIN IN PREVIOUS CHANNELS FOR DISCUSSION (MEXICO 7903).
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